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# POLICE CHIEFS HIT INITIATIVE 101

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The Washington Association of Chiefs of Police is one of the many organizations which have gone on record as unqualifiedly opposed to initiative 101, which would create a civil service system for the state. John M. Walker, Olympia police chief and secretary-treasurer of the chiefs' association, said yesterday.

The group took the action at a meeting in Yakima September 19, Walker said. The initiative provides for a civil service system for the state government, and for counties, cities, ports, school and park districts, and public libraries.

The reasons, which the Association of Chiefs of Police advanced for condemning the initiative, which will be on Tuesday's general election ballot, are as follows:

1. It would create a powerful political machine for the party in office.

2. It would perpetuate in office all employees holding jobs when the law becomes effective, without examination or further qualification.

3. The initiative is loosely drawn, and would require further legislation to make it operative.

4. It is not self-sustaining, and would be a further burden upon the taxpayers.

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